



TOWN OF BLUFFTON  
BLUFFTON, SOUTH CAROLINA

**IN HONOR OF "IDA MARTIN DAY"**

**WHEREAS**, shortly after Ida Martin moved to Bluffton, she quickly began helping those in need of basic necessities in the community due, to a compassion which Ida felt for her less fortunate neighbors and friends; and

**WHEREAS**, after helping lines of hungry people from her Bluffton home, she led an effort to secure a legal charter and a building to continue to help the people of Bluffton; and

**WHEREAS**, generosity prompted Ida to give herself and her riches with only the promise of self- fulfillment, not self glorification while insisting that dignity belonged to every Blufftonian; and

**WHEREAS**, the vision in which Ida saw of her community in mutual partnership, some experiencing the joy of giving, others the absence of abject poverty has led to the help of so many; and

**WHEREAS**, the legacy of Ida Martin will live on in Bluffton Self Help, "a little place doing big things", a unique place that brings all of us together for our mutual betterment.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that I Lisa Sulka, Mayor of the Town of Bluffton, along with Town Council, Town Staff and the citizens of the Town of Bluffton wish to honor Ida Martin, Founder of Bluffton Self Help, for all that she has given to the Town of Bluffton and declare April 5<sup>th</sup> Ida Martin Day in the Town of Bluffton.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereto set my hand and caused the seal of the Town of Bluffton to be affixed this 5th day of April, 2010.

Lisa Sulka, Mayor

